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Amendment 1

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on behalf of the ECR Group

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Lara Wolters

Corporate due diligence and corporate accountability

2020/2129(INL)

Motion for a resolution

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Motion for a resolution

Amendment

G a. Whereas although companies should respect the fundamental rights enshrined in the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union, especially the rights of the child and the prohibition of child labour, they are in no way guarantors of respect for the rule of law or fundamental rights;

Or. en

Amendment 2**Jorge Buxadé Villalba**

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Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 6***Motion for a resolution*

6. Notes that due to the COVID-19 pandemic small and medium-sized undertakings face **a** challenging situation; believes that **providing** them with support and **the creation of** a favourable market environment **are crucial objectives of the Union**;

Amendment

6. Notes that due to the COVID-19 pandemic small and medium-sized undertakings face **an extremely** challenging situation; believes that **an excessive increase of the bureaucratic burden and/or economic costs resulting from mandatory due diligence procedures could become an insurmountable obstacle for small and medium-sized undertakings**; believes that the Union should provide them with **explicit and effective** support and **create** a favourable market environment **without bureaucratic interference that could limit, disrupt or distort the free market and competition**;

Or. en

Amendment 3**Jorge Buxadé Villalba**

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Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 9***Motion for a resolution*

9. Considers that the scope of any future mandatory Union due diligence framework should be broad and cover all large undertakings governed by the law of a Member State or established in the territory of the Union, including those providing financial products and services, regardless of their sector of activity and of whether they are publicly owned or publicly controlled undertakings, ***as well as all publicly listed small and medium-sized undertakings and high-risk small and medium-sized undertakings***; considers that the framework should also cover undertakings which are established outside the Union, but are active on the internal market;

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9. Considers that the scope of any future mandatory Union due diligence framework should be broad and cover all large undertakings governed by the law of a Member State or established in the territory of the Union, including those providing financial products and services, regardless of their sector of activity and of whether they are publicly owned or publicly controlled undertakings; considers that the framework should also cover undertakings which are established outside the Union, but are active on the internal market;

Or. en

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9. Considers that the scope of any future mandatory Union due diligence framework should be broad and cover all large undertakings governed by the law of a Member State or established in the territory of the Union, including those providing financial products and services, regardless of their sector of activity and of whether they are publicly owned or publicly controlled undertakings; considers that the framework should also cover undertakings which are established outside the Union, but are active on the internal market; ***considers that totally or partially publicly funded NGOs should be covered within the scope of the due diligence framework to ensure NGOs accomplish the same targets as European undertakings***;

Or. en

Amendment 5**Jorge Buxadé Villalba**

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11. Considers that some undertakings, and particularly publicly listed small and medium-sized undertakings and high-risk small and medium-sized undertakings may need less extensive and formalised due diligence processes, and that a proportionate approach should take into account, amongst other elements, the sector of activity, the size of the undertaking, the severity and likelihood of risks related to the respect of human rights, governance and environmental intrinsic to its operations and to the context of its operations, including geographic, its business model, its position in value chains and the nature of its products and services; calls for specific technical assistance to be provided to Union undertakings, especially to small and medium-sized undertakings, so that they can comply with due diligence requirements;

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Or. en

Amendment 6**Jorge Buxadé Villalba**

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Motion for a resolution**Paragraph 30***Motion for a resolution*

30. Stresses that victims of business-related adverse impacts are often not sufficiently protected by the law of the country where the harm has been caused; considers, in this regard, *that victims of human rights abuses committed by Union undertakings should be allowed to choose the law of the legal system with high human rights standards, which could be that of the place where the defendant undertaking is domiciled;*

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30. Stresses that **confirmed** victims of business-related adverse impacts are often not sufficiently protected by the law **or the existing legislative infrastructure** of the country where the harm has been caused; considers *that*, in this regard, **the European Union should end any granting of Union funds and/or allocations made within the context of this legislation to those countries where victims do not have sufficient protection;**

Or. en